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## Commissioner for Patents

The Appeal Brief filed on 22 January 2008 is still defective for a reason set forth in the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief of 19 December 2007. In the Notice, Appellant was informed that the brief does not contain a concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each of the independent claims (See box 4 of Notice). In response to the Appellant submitted the Appeal Brief of 22 January 2008, which still does not present a concise explanation of the subject matter in the form required. Specifically, Appellant does not cite the specification by page and line number as required (37 CFR 41.37(c/1)(b)), and provides no explanation of the limitations regarding "selectable" or "variable" numbers of support members. Therefore, the Appeal Brief of 22 January 2008 is defective.

The Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief of 19 December 2007 set forth a one month time period for reply. That time period remains. Extensions of time are available (37 CFR 41.37(d)).

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